

INVESTIGATION OF LORIMER ELECTION

Special Grand Jury Returns In-
dictments Against Members
Of Illinois Legislature.

FOR BRIBERY AND PERJURY

Session at Which Senator Was Elected
One of Most Sensational in
State's History.

Chicago, May 6.—Lee O'Neil Browne of Ottawa, Democratic leader of the Illinois house of representatives, was indicted on a charge of bribery, and Representative Robert E. Wilson of Chicago and Representative Michael E. Link of Mitchell were indicted on charges of perjury today by the special grand jury investigating William Lorimer's election to the senate. The evidence on which the indictments were based was supplied by Representative Charles A. White of O'Fallon and by Representative H. J. C. Buckenmeyer of Carlyle. Wilson and Link as well as White and Buckenmeyer are Democratic members of the legislature. Specifically, the bribery indictment against Browne is based on the charge that he gave Representative White \$850 in a Chicago hotel late in May, 1909, as alleged compensation for White's vote for Lorimer for senator. The perjury charge against Link is based on his testimony before the grand jury May 3. In this testimony Link is alleged to have sworn he was not in St. Louis July 15, 1909, and did not meet Representative Robert E. Wilson of Chicago there. The grand jury declares it finds upon investigation that Link was in St. Louis on that date and did meet Wilson. The jury declares Link willfully perjured himself after full realization of the value of his statements in the investigation. The perjury charge against Wilson is based on his testimony before the grand jury on May 5. The indictment alleges

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Wilson testified he did not hand sums of money to Representative White and Representative Buckenmeyer in the Southern hotel at St. Louis July 5, 1909. The grand jury states in its bill against Wilson that it finds Wilson did hand money to both White and Buckenmeyer at St. Louis on the date specified.

BAIL FIXED.

Immediately after the indictments Judge Kersten fixed Browne's bail at \$15,000. Wilson's at \$15,000 and Link's at \$5,000.

Another indictment not bearing upon the Lorimer legislative bribery was returned by the jury against William G. Henley, former president of the Chicago and Western railway. This indictment charges Henley with embezzlement of the railroad's funds. It is a direct outcome of charges made by John C. Felger, who declared a "slush fund" had been used in the legislature to secure the passage of railroad legislation. The specific bill was house bill 777, validating a \$50,000,000 bond issue by the Chicago & Western Indiana railroad. Felger said \$212,000 was distributed among legislators by agents of the railroad.

The session of the legislature that elected Lorimer to the senate was one of the most sensational in the history of the state.

Senator Hopkins, the then incumbent, had received a plurality at the Republican primaries over ex-Gov. Richard Yates, Congressman Edmund Fess and others. Many members of the legislature, however, who had been instructed to vote for Hopkins refused to do so and a deadlock lasting many weeks followed.

LORIMER'S ELECTION.

Congressman Lorimer had not been a candidate but came forward when it became plain that no other choice could be made. With the assistance of Democratic votes he was elected.

Shortly after this there were vague rumors of bribery but these rumors had long ceased to attract attention when Representative White's confession, printed in the Chicago Tribune, revived them.

White stated in substance that

Browne approached him at Springfield and offered him \$1,000 to cast his vote for Lorimer. White in his confession declares he accepted the money to show up corruption in the legislature.

At the same time White admitted he spent the money. This feature in the confession in the eyes of State's Atty. Wayman weakened the story as legal evidence, particularly as Lorimer, Browne and others raised a cry of attempted blackmail.

The confession of Buckenmeyer therefore was received with the greatest satisfaction by the prosecution. Buckenmeyer upheld White on the essential points, it is alleged.

Seven Illinois legislators were present in the criminal court building today while the grand jury was in session. They were H. J. C. Buckenmeyer, W. O. Blair, Daniel D. Donahue, Joseph H. Clark, Henry A. Sheppard, Michael S. Link and Charles A. White. In addition the widow and one child of the late Representative Charles S. Luke were in attendance.

Link, Buckenmeyer, Link and Sheppard are alleged to have been at St. Louis when the "jack-pot" made up of the proceeds of various purchased legislation was distributed. The specific charge in the Henley indictment is that he embezzled \$28,000 on May 9, 1907.

The indictment does not mention Felger's bribery charges but it is said to be the aim of the state's attorney to force the railroad men to explain what became of the money.

SAYS HE WAS OFFERED BRIBE. Chicago, May 7.—Joseph S. Clark, member of the Illinois legislature, after he had testified yesterday before the grand jury investigating bribery charges in connection with the election of U. S. Senator Lorimer, said he was offered \$1000 and was asked to direct primary bill which was before the legislature in 1907, according to the Tribune.

His statement came when following the indictments of his fellow legislators he was again questioned by Assistant State's Atty. Arnold as to matter he had testified to before the grand jury. "Twenty-five \$20 bills were counted out before me in the room," he said, "and I was told they were mine if I would agree to vote against the pending direct primary bill. I refused and voted for the bill as the record shows."

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HIGH COST OF LIVING.

Mayor Gaynor Attributes It to Over-Production of Gold.

New York, May 7.—Mayor Gaynor sides with those who declare that the high cost of living is due chiefly to increased production of gold. A delegation representing several hundred Italian butchers called on him to protest that they are not responsible for the high price of meat and to urge him to say a good word for them to the public.

"Are you not responsible for the high prices of meat?" asked the mayor. "No," replied the butchers in chorus. "Well, who is?"

"Perhaps it's the farmers," ventured one. "No, it's not the farmers," he said, "it's the overproduction of gold and that's something neither you nor I can control."

FOUR GREAT SOURCES OF PRESENT DAY EVILS

Chicago, May 7.—Dr. Harry Pratt Judson, president of the University of Chicago, in his address yesterday as president of the Northern Baptist convention, said the present age is the most dreadful in history, with the exception of the days just before the fall of the Roman republic and before the French revolution.

"If there is to be social and political regeneration in our republic and in the rest of the world," he went on, "it must be by a tremendous regeneration of morals. We recognize in the world's life today four prolific sources of evil, and from these sources come the disruptive forces which are so seriously tending to disintegrate the society of the twentieth century. One of these is internationalism; it is war."

"Another source of endless evil is dishonesty, permeating public and private life alike, tainting the administration of justice, tainting our legislative halls, tainting the conduct of private business, polluting at times even the church itself."

"Another vital source of infinite evil is drunkenness. A fourth source of infinite evil in every modern society is impurity of word and act."

"All these local sources of evil would be eliminated at once if only the fundamental principles of Christianity ruled in the great majority of human hearts and souls."

DANCE, WANDAMERE. Saturday, May 7th.

JAMES A. PATTEN NOT AGAINST INVESTIGATION

Chicago, May 7.—James A. Patten says he is not adverse to federal inquiry into his recent cotton operations. He wired instructions to his New York brokers yesterday directing them to throw open the books and show all details of his trades to the government investigators.

"I have not received any subpoena yet and do not know whether I will be called east to testify in regard to the cotton market," said Mr. Patten, "but I am perfectly willing to tell all I know. More than that, I have directed my New York brokers to turn their books wide open for the benefit of the government investigators."

"Since the middle of April all the accounts which had formerly been carried in the name of my firm, have been transferred to my individual account so there will be no trouble whatever in finding out at once what my operations have been."

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UNITED STATES LEADS IN MANUFACTURES

Washington, May 7.—In the rapid development of the world's manufacturing industries, the United States is leading her three principal competitors—Great Britain, France and Germany. This is evidenced according to the calculations of the department of commerce and labor, by the immense increase in importations of raw materials and the growth of the exports of finished products. Trade in that direction now comprises more than 78 per cent of all the foreign commerce of the United States and during the nine months ended in March, aggregated more than a billion dollars. During that time more than half a billion dollars' worth of raw materials were taken in to be finished into manufactured products and consumed at home or shipped abroad. In the same time the United States furnished the three other great manufacturing nations of the world, the United Kingdom, Germany and France, with nearly a half billion dol-

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LICK PHOTOGRAPHS OF HALLEY'S COMET'S TAIL

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